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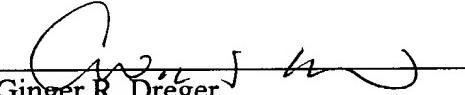
**LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSMAN**

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Dear Sir:

Subject to the approval of the Examiner, please substitute the enclosed 6 sheets of formal drawings for the informal drawings originally filed with the application.

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